

# The Museum of North Carolina Minerals

The **Museum of North Carolina Minerals** is a great place to view rocks and minerals. After completing the word search for birthstones, look for them during your visit to the museum. What is your birthstone? \_\_\_\_\_



**Garnet** *January*

**Ruby** *July*

**Amethyst** *February*

**Peridot** *August*

**Aquamarine** *March*

**Sapphire** *September*

**Diamond** *April*

**Opal** *October*

**Emerald** *May*

**Topaz** *November*

**Pearl** *June*

**Turquoise** *December*

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## Overmountain Men

Men on their way to fight in the Revolutionary War (1775-1781) passed right through here, at Gillespie Gap. Inside the Museum of North Carolina Minerals you can see what an Overmountain Man looked like. Here are three items he used on his journey. Name each item and its use:




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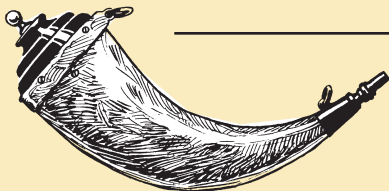
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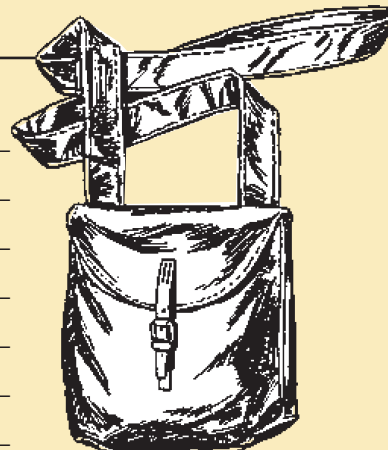
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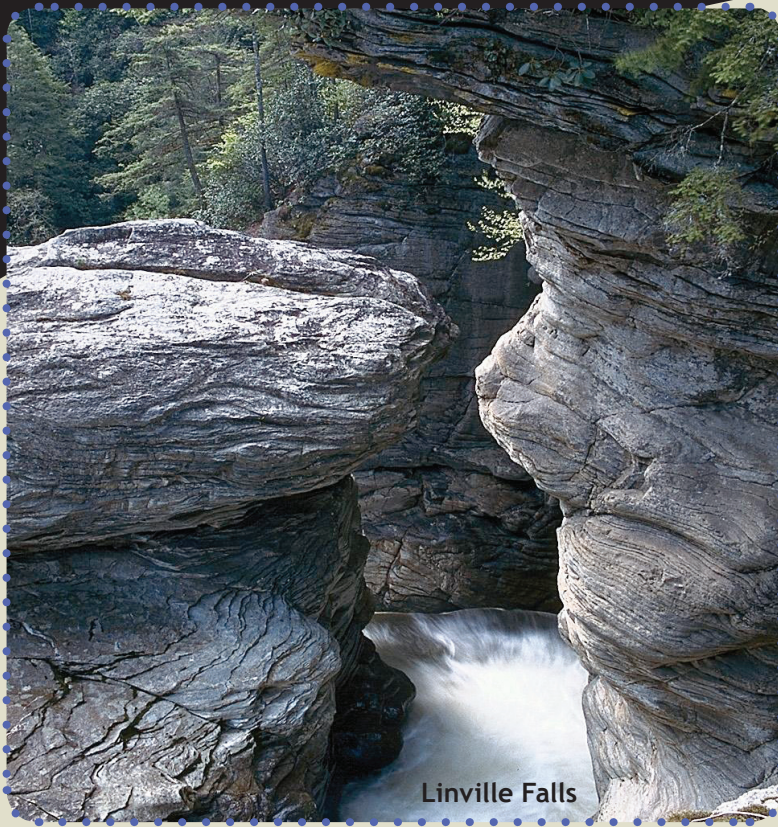
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# LINVILLE FALLS • MINERALS MUSEUM

## OVERMOUNTAIN MEN

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Linville Falls

### WHAT CAN YOU SEE?

Find a cool spot at LINVILLE FALLS where you can see the river or the falls. Close your eyes and then open them for ten seconds. See how many things you can write down that you saw during that time. You can compete with a friend and see who notices the most things!

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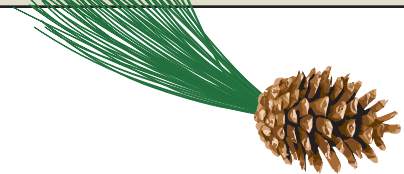

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### GROWING OLD

Some of the large trees at Linville Falls started growing more than 300 years ago! Finish the chart showing the tree lifecycle and then draw one showing your own lifecycle:

### KEEPING TRACK



I visited Linville Falls on \_\_\_\_\_

I explored \_\_\_\_\_

I enjoyed \_\_\_\_\_

I discovered \_\_\_\_\_